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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (currently amended) A nondairy composition comprising:

a beverage directly ingestible by a user and capable of creating physical dependence in a the user;

an active ingredient ingredients added to the beverage in an amount effective to increase nutritional constituents otherwise subject to a deficiency in a the user exhibiting physical dependency on the beverage, wherein the active ingredients comprise Vitamin B1, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B9, and Vitamin C; and

a chemical excipient applied to the active ingredient ingredients selected from the group consisting of anti-oxidants, pH buffers, flavor masking agents, odor masking agents, preservatives, and timed-release mechanisms added to the beverage to support delivery of the active ingredient ingredients from the beverage to the bloodstream of a the user.

2. (original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the beverage is a commercially available, traditional drink.

3. (previously presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein the beverage comprises a substance selected from the group consisting of alcoholic beverages, coffee, tea, caffeinated beverages, and carbonated beverages.

4. (previously presented) The composition of claim 3, wherein alcoholic beverages further comprise distilled spirits, beer, wine, champagne, brandy, cognac, malt beverages, hard ciders, ales, lagers, and liqueurs.

5. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the active ingredients further comprise an additional ingredient is selected from the group consisting of vitamins, minerals, electrolytes, hormones, herbal, botanical, amino acid, protein, carbohydrate, and fat.

6. (currently amended) The composition of claim 5, wherein the vitamins are selected from the group consisting of B-Vitamins Vitamin B2 (riboflavin), Vitamin B3 (niacin), Vitamin B5 (pantothenic acid), Vitamin B12 (cyanocobalamin), Vitamin C, Vitamin A, Vitamin D, Vitamin E, Vitamin K, pro-vitamins, and co-enzymes.

7. (canceled)

8. (currently amended) The composition of claim 4, wherein the minerals further comprise at least one are selected from the group consisting of magnesium, selenium, zinc, iron, and calcium.

9. (currently amended) The composition of claim 4, wherein the electrolytes further comprise at least one are selected from the group consisting of potassium, sodium, chloride, and phosphate.

10-11. (canceled)

12. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the excipient is selected to mollify an effect selected from digestive processes, blood absorption processes, chemical stability prior to ingestion, chemical stability following ingestion, longevity of chemical concentration in the bloodstream, and chemical stability in human cells.

13. (previously presented) The composition of claim 1, wherein the application of the excipient is ordered in accordance with a parameter selected from at least one of preservation, shelf-stability, lubrication, solvents, viscosity, flavor masking, odor masking, pharmacokinetic mollification, appearance, texture, and taste.

14. (original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the beverage is selected from the group consisting of nutritionally deficient and nutrition-depleting beverages.

15. (canceled)

16. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the effective amount is selected to substantially completely replenish a deficiency of the active ingredients comprises the Vitamin B1 in an amount between about 0.14 mg and about 0.28 mg, the Vitamin B6 in an amount between about 0.22 mg and about 0.44 mg, and Vitamin B9 in an amount between about 0.04 mg and about 0.08 mg a selected nutrient.

17. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the effective amount of the active ingredients is selected to substantially inhibit the depletion effects of the beverage on a selected nutrient levels of Vitamin B1, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B9, and Vitamin C in the user.

18. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the effective amounts amount of the active ingredients is selected to substantially reverse the depletion effects of the beverage on a selected nutrient levels of Vitamin B1, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B9, and Vitamin C in the user.

19. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the effective amounts amount of the active ingredients is selected to substantially neutralize depletion effects of the beverage on a selected nutrient levels of Vitamin B1, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B9, Vitamin C in the user.

20. (currently amended) The composition of claim 19, wherein the effective amounts amount of the active ingredients is selected to substantially maintain a concentration in a the bloodstream of a the user to substantially resist leaching of the selected nutrient levels of Vitamin B1, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B9, and Vitamin C from cells by the beverage in the bloodstream.

21. (currently amended) The composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is in a formulation selected from the group consisting of a powder, a pill, a tablet, a capsule, a granule, a microgranule, a liquid, a suspension, an emulsion, a liquid concentrate, and an effervescent tablet.

22. (original) The composition of claim 1, wherein the beverage comprises a slurry comprising a solidus material in a liquid.

23-46. (canceled)

47. (currently amended) A composition comprising:
an alcoholic beverage directly ingestible by a user;
~~at least one active ingredient selected from the group consisting of vitamin B1, vitamin B6, folate, magnesium, and zinc~~ active ingredients dissolved within the alcoholic beverage in an amount effective to increase nutritional constituents in the user, wherein the active ingredients comprise Vitamin B1, Vitamin B6, Vitamin B9, Vitamin C, and magnesium; and
a chemical excipient applied to the active ingredient ingredients selected from the group consisting of anti-oxidants, pH buffers, flavor masking agents, odor masking agents, preservatives, and timed-release mechanisms added to the beverage to support delivery of the ingredient ingredients from the beverage to the bloodstream of a the user.

48. (currently amended) The composition of claim 47, wherein the ~~at least one active ingredient is Vitamin B1, the Vitamin B6, the Vitamin B9, and the Vitamin C are~~ dissolved within the alcoholic beverage at about 10% to about 20% of the RDA for the ~~at least one active ingredient each, respectively.~~

49. (previously presented) The composition of claim 47, wherein the alcoholic beverage comprises beer.

50. (currently amended) The composition of claim [[49]] 47, wherein the at least one active ingredient comprises at least two active ingredients selected from the group consisting of vitamin B1, vitamin B6, folate, magnesium, active ingredients further comprises selenium, and zinc.

51. (currently amended) The composition of claim [[49]] 47, wherein the at least one active ingredient comprises at least three active ingredients selected from the group consisting of vitamin B1, vitamin B6, folate, magnesium, selenium, and active ingredients further comprise zinc in an amount between about 1.5 mg to 3 mg.

52. (currently amended) The composition of claim [[49]] 47, wherein the at least one active ingredient comprises at least four active ingredients selected from the group consisting of vitamin B1, vitamin B6, folate, magnesium, selenium, and zinc active ingredients further comprise iron.

53. (currently amended) The composition of claim [[49]] 47, wherein the at least one active ingredient comprises at least five active ingredients selected from the group consisting of vitamin B1, vitamin B6, folate, magnesium, selenium, and zinc active ingredients further comprise calcium.

54. (canceled)

55. (previously presented) The composition of claim 47, wherein the alcoholic beverage comprises wine.

56. (currently amended) The composition of claim [[55]] 47, wherein the at least one active ingredient selected from the group consisting of vitamin B1, vitamin B6, folate, vitamin B12, vitamin C, magnesium; active ingredients further comprise selenium and zinc.

57. (currently amended) The composition of claim [[55]] 47, wherein the at least one active ingredient comprises at least three active ingredients selected from the group consisting of vitamin B1, vitamin B6, folate, vitamin B12, vitamin C, magnesium; active ingredients further comprise calcium and zinc.

58. (currently amended) The composition of claim [[55]] 47, wherein the at least one active ingredient comprises at least four active ingredients selected from the group consisting of vitamin B1, vitamin B6, folate, vitamin B12, vitamin C, magnesium; active ingredients further comprise calcium, iron, and zinc.

59. (currently amended) The composition of claim [[55]] 47, wherein the at least one active ingredient comprises at least five active ingredients selected from the group consisting of vitamin B1, vitamin B6, folate, vitamin B12, vitamin C, magnesium, and zinc effective amount of the active ingredients comprises Vitamin B1 in an amount between about 0.14 mg and about 0.28 mg, the Vitamin B6 in an amount between about 0.22 mg and about 0.44 mg, Vitamin B9 in an amount between about 0.04 mg and about 0.08 mg, and magnesium in an amount between about 35 mg and about 70 mg.

60-61. (canceled)

62. (new) A nondairy composition comprising:

a beverage directly ingestible by a user and capable of creating physical dependence in the user; and

active ingredients added to the beverage in an amount effective to increase nutritional constituents in the user exhibiting physical dependency on the beverage, wherein the active ingredients comprise Vitamin B1 in an amount between about 0.14 mg and about 0.28 mg, Vitamin B6 in an amount between about 0.22 mg and about 0.44 mg and Vitamin B9 in an amount between about 0.04 mg and about 0.08 mg.

63. (new) The composition of claim 62, wherein the active ingredients further comprises an amount of magnesium.

64. (new) The composition of claim 63, wherein the amount of magnesium comprises between about 35 mg and about 70 mg.